

Cities of the United States

Over 300 million people live in the United States. About 80% of these people live in cities or suburbs. More people live in the eastern regions of the country than in other areas. However, more and more people are moving to the west and south. Cities in the Southwest region are starting to become more crowded.

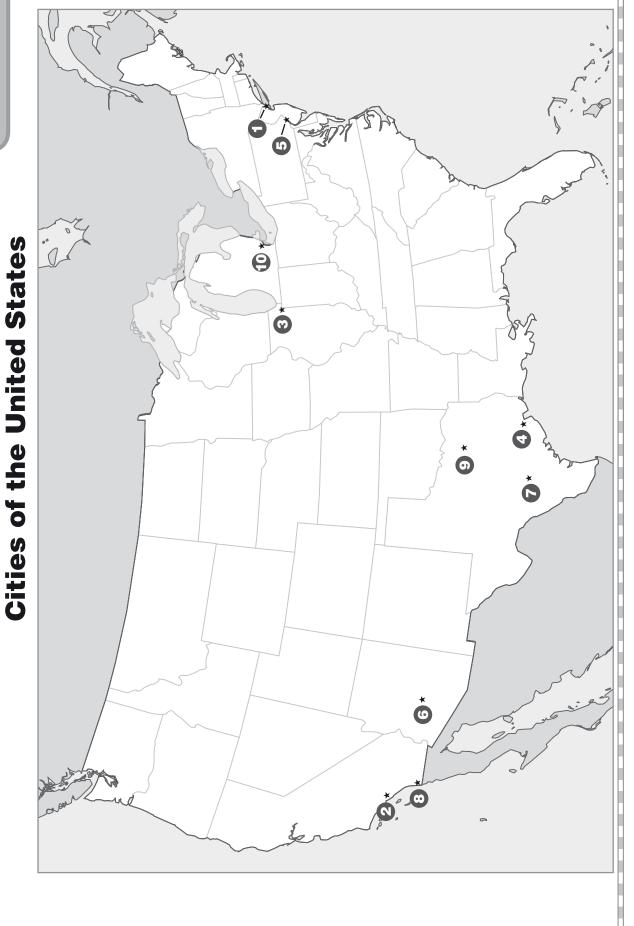
With over 8 million people, New York City is by far the biggest city in the United States. Even Los Angeles, which is the second-biggest city, has fewer than half the number of people of New York. Other heavily populated cities include Chicago, Houston, Philadelphia and Phoenix.

A. Look at the chart showing the populations of the United States' biggest cities. Then write a sentence about the information in the chart.

	City	Population (2011 est.)
1	New York	8 244 910
2	Los Angeles	3 819 702
3	Chicago	2 707 120
4	Houston	2 145 146
5	Philadelphia	1 536 471
6	Phoenix	1 469 471
7	San Antonio	1 359 758
8	San Diego	1 326 179
9	Dallas	1 223 229
10	Detroit	706 585

B. On the map on page 31, a star marks the location of each city, along with its number according to rank in population. Write the name of each city near its star.





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